IN THE CLAIMS:

1. to 10. (Canceled)

11. (Currently Amended) A lenticular lens sheet used for a rear projection screen that displays an image projected by an image light source including three cathode-ray tubes, the lenticular lens sheet having an entrance surface and an exit ~~surface~~ surface, comprising:

a base part;

an entrance lens part forming the entrance surface of the lenticular lens sheet and having an array of a plurality of convex lens elements capable of gathering light rays;

an exit lens part forming the exit surface of the lenticular lens sheet and having an array of a plurality of lens elements formed respectively in light-gathering regions in which light rays refracted by the convex lens elements of the entrance lens part gather, the lens elements of the exit lens part being convex toward the exit surface of the lenticular lens sheet; and

a light absorbing layer formed in light-nongathering regions in the exit surface of the lenticular lens sheet in which light rays

refracted by the convex lens elements of the entrance lens part do not gather;

wherein a tinted layer is formed at least in a portion of the entrance lens part near the entrance surface of the lenticular lens sheet.

12. to 13. (Canceled)

14. (Previously Added) The lenticular lens sheet according to claim 11, wherein the tinted layer contains a light diffusing material.

15. (Canceled)

16. (Previously Amended) The lenticular lens sheet according to claim 11, wherein the tinted layer extends along the light receiving surface of the entrance lens part.

17. (Currently Amended) A rear projection screen that displays an image projected by an image light source including three cathode-ray tubes, the rear projection screen comprising:

a lenticular lens sheet having an entrance surface and an exit surface; and

a Fresnel lens sheet disposed ~~opposite to~~ on a side of the entrance surface of the lenticular lens sheet, the entrance surface thereof facing an image light source,

wherein the lenticular lens sheet has:

a base part;

an entrance lens part forming the entrance surface of the lenticular lens sheet and having an array of a plurality of convex lens elements capable of gathering light rays;

an exit lens part forming the exit surface of the lenticular lens sheet and having an array of a plurality of lens elements formed respectively in light-gathering regions in which light rays refracted by the convex lens elements of the entrance lens part gather, the lens elements of the exit lens part being convex toward the exit surface of the lenticular lens sheet regions in the exit surface of the lenticular lens sheet in which light rays refracted by the convex lens

elements of the entrance lens part do not gather, the entrance lens part being provided with a tinted layer at least in a portion thereof near the entrance surface of the lenticular lens sheet.

18. (Canceled)

19. (Previously Added) The rear projection screen according to claim 17, further comprising a front plate disposed opposite to the exit surface of the lenticular lens sheet;

wherein the front plate has a tinted layer formed near an entrance surface thereof or an exit surface thereof, or the front plate is entirely tinted.

20. (Previously Added) The lenticular lens sheet according to claim 11, wherein

the base part has a flat entrance-side surface and a flat exit-side surface;

the entrance lens part is disposed on the flat entrance-side surface of the base part; and

the exit lens part is disposed on the flat exit-side surface of the base part.

21. (Previously Added) The rear projection screen according to claim 17, wherein

the base part of the lenticular sheet has a flat entrance-side surface and a flat exit-side surface;

the entrance lens part of the lenticular lens sheet is disposed on the flat entrance-side surface of the base part; and

the exit lens part of the lenticular lens sheet is disposed on the flat exit-side surface of the base part.

22. (Previously Added) A lenticular lens sheet having an entrance surface and an exit surface comprising:

a base part;

an entrance lens part forming the entrance surface of the lenticular lens sheet and having an array of a plurality of convex lens elements capable of gathering light rays;

an exit lens part forming the exit surface of the lenticular lens sheet and having an array of a plurality of lens elements formed respectively in light-gathering regions in which light rays refracted by the convex lens elements of the entrance lens part gather, the lens elements of the exit lens part being convex toward the exit surface of the lenticular lens sheet; and

a light absorbing layer formed in light-nongathering regions in the exit surface of the lenticular lens sheet in which light rays refracted by the convex lens elements of the entrance lens part do not gather;

wherein a tinted layer is formed at least in a portion of the entrance lens part near the entrance surface of the lenticular lens sheet.

23. (Previously Added) The lenticular lens sheet according to claim 22, wherein the tinted layer contains a light diffusing material.

24. (Previously Added) The lenticular lens sheet according to claim 22 wherein the tinted layer extends along the light receiving surface of the entrance lens part.

25. (Previously Added) The lenticular lens sheet according to claim 11, wherein

the base part has a flat entrance-side surface and a flat exit-side surface;

the entrance lens part is disposed on the flat entrance-side surface of the base part; and

the exit lens part is disposed on the flat exit-side surface of the base part.

26. (Previously Added) A rear projection screen comprising:

a lenticular lens sheet having an entrance surface and an exit surface; and

a Fresnel lens sheet disposed opposite to the entrance surface of the lenticular lens sheet facing an image light source,

wherein the lenticular lens sheet has:

a base part;

an entrance lens part forming the entrance surface of the lenticular lens sheet and having an array of a plurality of convex lens elements capable of gathering light rays;

an exit lens part forming the exit surface of the lenticular lens sheet and having an array of a plurality of lens elements formed respectively in light-gathering regions in which light rays refracted by the convex lens elements of the entrance lens part gather, the lens elements of the exit lens part being convex toward the exit surface of the lenticular lens sheet regions in the exit surface of the lenticular lens sheet in which light rays refracted by the convex lens elements of the entrance lens part do not gather, the entrance lens part being provided with a tinted layer at least in a portion thereof near the entrance surface of the lenticular lens sheet.

27. (Previously Added) The rear projection screen according to claim 26, further comprising a front plate disposed opposite to the exit surface of the lenticular lens sheet;

wherein the front plate has a tinted layer formed near an entrance surface thereof or an exit surface thereof, or the front plate is entirely tinted.

28. (Previously Added) The rear projection screen according to claim 17, wherein

the base part of the lenticular sheet has a flat entrance-side surface and a flat exit-side surface;

the entrance lens part of the lenticular lens sheet is disposed on the flat entrance-side surface of the base part; and

the exit lens part of the lenticular lens sheet is disposed on the flat exit-side surface of the base part.